

**REMARKS**

Applicant is amending the claims to accept the subject matter indicated as allowable in the 10/13/2004 Office Action. Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of allowable claim 4 (and intervening claim 3). Claim 6 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of claim 1 and allowable claim 14. Claim 11 has been amended to include the limitations of its base and intervening claims.

Applicant submits the claims are now in a condition for allowance and requests the same.

Enclosed are checks totaling \$100.00 for the claim fee as shown on the attached Patent Application Fee Determination Record.

Respectfully submitted,

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